

Notices to Consignees.

CONSIGNEES of (double-diamond), (R & A in diamond) or addressed, 20 Pockles Market, London, by Messrs Maynard, Harris & Co., London, per barque "Hawick" and consigned here to A. B. Hewlett, Esq., are hereby informed that the same have been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, August 19, 1868.

S.S. "SUNDA" from BOMBAY. CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above named vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

W. MACAULAY, Superintendent.
P. & O. S. N. Co's Office,
Hongkong, August 17, 1868.

"WEST DERRY" from CALCUTTA. CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above Ship are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature at once, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge and for which Bills are not at once forthcoming, will be landed and stored in Messrs Dent & Co's Godown B, at the risk and expense of the Consignees of such Goods.

BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, July 31, 1868.

S.S. "T. A. GIBB" from CALCUTTA and SINGAPORE. CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, August 16, 1868.

BRITISH SHIP "CITY OF QUEBEC" from CALCUTTA. CONSIGNEES of cargo by the above named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, August 11, 1868.

THE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.

Ex "Domini," 7th January, 1868.
RT 531. 1 Case Paper.
B 3. 3 Cases Sweetmeats.
NC120/122. C. BERTHARD,
Principal Agent.
Hongkong, August 3, 1868.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. MR. WILLIAM F. RUSSELL is authorized to sign our Firm from this date.

THOS. HUNT & Co.
Hongkong, August 6, 1868.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. FRANCIS PARKY and Mr. THOMAS SMITH in our Firm ceased on 31st December, 1867, from which date the Partners are Mr. CHARLES WILSON MURRAY, Mr. ARTHUR SMITH, and Mr. THOMAS PARKY.

BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, June 16, 1868.

NOTICE. WE have authorized Mr. CLAUDE BODDY to sign our Firm from this date.

DREYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE. MR. J. MURRAY FORBES is authorized to sign our name at Canton from this date.

RUSSELL & Co.
China, February 15, 1868.

NOTICE. MR. HENRY LESTON DALRYMPLE is authorized to sign our Firm per procuration, at Poochow from this date.

BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, June 2, 1868.

NOTICE. MY Business, as Ship and Insurance Broker, Commission Agent, &c. hitherto carried on by my self, will henceforward be conducted under the style or Firm of J. S. HOOK, Esq. & Co.

J. S. HOOK.
Hongkong, September 23, 1867.

NOTICE. MR. R. A. H. TOLSON GLEZENKAMP, being from this date interested in our Firm, will sign KAN BROTHERS & Co.

KAN BROTHERS & Co.
Hongkong, June 1, 1868.

NOTICE. I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.

GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.
Sagitt, December 20, 1867.

NOTICE. I HAVE this date established myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, ADVISOR AND JUSTICE AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

O. LANGDON DAVIES.
2 Club Chambers,
Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

NOTICE. FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.

S. L. PHELPS, Agent.
Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

NOTICE. MR. RYLE HOLME has been admitted a partner in our Firm.

GLOVER & Co.
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. THE connection of the Undersigned with the Firm of Messrs. THOS. HUNT & Co. ceases from this date.

J. M. ARMSTRONG.
Hongkong, May 1, 1868.

Houses and Lands.

TO BE LET. THE HOUSE No. 10, Shelley Street. Gas and Water laid on. Rent \$48 per month.

Apply to THOS. HOWARD.
Hongkong, August 15, 1868.

TO LET. THREE Spacious GODOWNS suitable for storing dry Goods; also a Fireproof GODOWN capable of containing 1,000 chests of Opium. Situated in the most central part of Queen's Road. Apply to J. F. ROSE, Secretary, Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited.
Hongkong, August 12, 1868.

TWO HOUSES TO BE LET. A recently put in thorough repair, situated on the River or the Hill, Westward, and an easy distance from the Queen's Road. Apply to MR. BARRINGTON, Wyndham Street.
Hongkong, May 13, 1868.

TO LET. LIVE separate ROOMS, or the whole of the second Floor of our House at Peddar's Wharf, comprising Eleven Bed Rooms with Padon, Dining Room, Pantry, Bath Rooms and Cook Houses.

THOS. HUNT & Co.
Hongkong, August 3, 1868.

TO LET. THE OFFICES situated in Queen's Road, formerly occupied by Messrs LYALL, STILL & Co. Apply to J. A. DUNN, MATHESON & Co.
East Point, June 15, 1868.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE. THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise, in their own Godowns, and to receive the same on SHIPBOARD in First-class Granite godowns, on Moderate Terms.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1866.

TO LET. THE OFFICE and GODOWN situated at the corner of Wellington and Aberdeen Streets, and at present in the occupation of Messrs ELMENHORST & SANDERS.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

TO LET. COMMODIOUS HOUSES, situated in Morrison Hill, commanding a thorough view of the Harbour, with Stables, &c.

Apply to THOMAS WALLACE, East Point Godowns.
Hongkong, June 6, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE desirable PREMISES on the Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of the Asiatic Bank.

For particulars, apply to SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
Hongkong, May 18, 1868.

TO LET. A HOUSE in Spring Gardens, containing 4 four Rooms and Out Houses; Rent \$28 per month.

Apply at the Victoria Foundry.
Hongkong, March 12, 1868.

FIRST RATE ROOMS for Offices or Dwelling HOUSES for Families in the Queen's Road, No. 92, with new Verandah. The whole in a thorough state of repair.

Apply to Messrs Wm. SCHMIDT & Co., Gunmakers.
Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

TO LET. THE Large Matched No. 3, at Pokfulam, containing five rooms with out-houses and Stables attached. Water laid.

For particulars, apply to H. FOSTON & Co., at Messrs P. A. C. CAMERON & Co's Office.
Hongkong, June 2, 1868.

TO LET. THE BUSINESS PREMISES, formerly occupied by Messrs ARNOLD, KARRER & Co., consisting of Dwelling House, Offices, and spacious Godowns.

Possession to be had on the 1st March. Apply to JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

TO LET. FOUR large ROOMS on Second Floor above the Offices of the Undersigned, 44, Queen's Road, at present occupied by Messrs C. HOOK & Co. Possession can be taken on the 1st of January, 1869.

For Terms, &c., apply to G. DUBOIS & Co.
Hongkong, November 6, 1867.

TO BE LET. TWO New and Strong GODOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.

Apply to GAVIN THOMPSON, at GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co's Office.
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

STORAGE FOR OPIUM. THE Undersigned is prepared to STORE Opium in a first class Granite Godown on premises situated on Praya Central.

CHARLES RIVINGTON, 8, St. Mary Street.
Hongkong, June 9, 1868.

NOTICE. THE STEAM TUG "ISLAND QUEEN," 130 H. P. Nominal, will commence to ply on the River Min and adjacent waters early in the spring, and will then be available to berth ships at the anchorage, and to tow to, and from, sea at usual rates.

For further information, apply to Messrs E. H. How & Co., Foochow, or to the Undersigned.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 5th to the 25th day of August, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,
JOHN S. LAPRAIK, Secretary.
Hongkong, August 5, 1868.

Steam Tugs.

NOTICE. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED. STEAM-TUG "FAME," 110 H. P. Nominal. With disconnecting Engines.

THIS Powerful TUG is available at any moment to North Vessels in Harbour, or to tow them to or from Sea.

For particulars, apply to the Captain on board, or to the Office of the Company, 2 Agular Street, Hongkong.

JOHN S. LAPRAIK, Secretary.
Hongkong, October 13, 1866.

For Sale.

By "HAWLOCK," WATERPROOF OVERCOATS. Silk Dress HATS. Christy's Black and Drab Felt HATS, new Shapes. Silk Umbrellas & Walking Canes. SHIRTS with Linen Fronts and COLLARS, of the latest Fashions. A rich assortment of fancy FLANNELS and Summer TWEEDS. PERFUMERY, BRUSHES, &c., &c. LADAGE, OELKE & Co.
Hongkong, August 17, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg to call the attention of Ship Masters and the General Public that from and after this date, they will sell the whole of their Stock at Cost Price.

The above Stock consists of Ship Chandlery in all its details, House and Cooking Utensils, Oilmen's Stores of every description, Dinner and breakfast Sets and White Crockery Ware, Cabosers, Scales, Cutlery, Plated Ware, Carpenters', Blacksmiths' and Machinists' tools, Boiler Plates and Angle Iron, Paints, Oils, Tar and Varnish, Brandy, Whiskey, Gin, Rhine and English Wines, Liqueurs, &c., &c., &c.

THOS. HUNT & Co.
Hongkong, August 15, 1868.

JUST RECEIVED.

ANDERSON'S Sole "TOMACOO." Ex "Mail Steamer." Amber MOUTHPIECES. Cherrywood STEMS. CIGAR HOLDERS. Ex "Saver." Superior Cavite CIGARS. BUELFELD & ZACHARLAE.
Hongkong, August 4, 1868.

FOR SALE.

A BILLIARD TABLE, complete, in first class order.

Apply to the Manager.
Hongkong, August 13, 1868.

New Advertisements.

FOR YOKOHAMA DIRECT. The "A 1 British Lark" "JOHN & MARY," will be despatched for the above port, on Saturday next, at 2nd instant, about Noon.

For Freight, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, August 20, 1868.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned have received instructions from J. M. DA SILVA, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, at his residence Nos. 58 and 60 Wellington Street, unless previously disposed of by private contract, on

MONDAY,

the 31st August, 1868, at 12 o'clock. The whole of his PRINTING Materials, (which are almost new and in good working order).

Consisting of about 80 kinds of Fancy and Running TYPES, PRESSES, &c., &c.

At present on view on the premises.

Terms.—Cash before delivery in Mexican dollars weighed at 7.17.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, August '0, 1868.

NOTICE OF AMOY.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. THE BUOYS marking the Danger in the Harbour of Amoy have been painted Admiralty and Trinity Board, viz.: to mark the Starboard side of Channels entering by Black or Red Buoys only. The Port side of Channels entering by Black or Red Buoys Chequered or vertically striped with White, and Middle Grounds by horizontally striped Buoys.

LET SPIT.—North end, formerly marked by a striped Buoy, is now marked by a Red Buoy.

COKER ROCKS.—formerly marked by a Red Buoy are now marked by a vertically striped Red and White Buoy. This Buoy has been placed about 20 fathoms to the E. S. E. of the shoalest patch, in order to guard Vessels against Leiges of Rock, with 16 feet water, found to exist in that direction, and it may be passed close to on the Port Hand when entering the Harbour. The shoalest patch or pinnacle of the Coker Rocks, has a floating Beacon on it until further notice.

NEW ROCK.—in North part of Harbour, and Brown's Rock are marked by horizontally striped Buoys.

In case any of these Buoys are lost or moved, the position will be as soon as possible marked by a Flag boat or floating Beacon.

JAMES JONES, Clerk in Charge.
Office of Marine Customs, Amoy, August 13, 1868.

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New Advertisements.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the half-year ended 30th June last, at the rate of Twelve per cent per annum, say \$7.50 per paid-up Share of \$125, and \$1.50 per Share on which \$25 have been paid, is payable at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSE, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 13, 1868.

FOOCHOW GRANITE FLOORED DOCK.

THE above Dock has been in full working order for the last four years. Length 300 feet, width at bottom 40 feet, depth of water on the sill, springs, average 17 feet, neaps 14 feet. The Dock in ordinary Tides runs dry to the Blocks and is pumped out by Steam.

For further particulars as to the price of coffering, &c., &c., apply to T. D. TILLOTSON, Esq., Messrs Dent & Co., Hongkong; Messrs BORN & Co., Shanghai; or to the Undersigned.

In connection with the above is the powerful Twin Screw Tug "WOOSUNG." Vessels requiring the services of this Tug either from Matsui (where a splendid anchorage will be found), or to the S. W. Wharf, or to the White Dog, can obtain them at moderate rates, on application to

JOHN V. SKEY, Manager.
Pagoda Anchorage, River Min.

WANTED. A Situation as Ship MASTER, by an ex-captain of the Liverpool Board, dated 17th May 1864, and well acquainted with the Coast of China, the Bay of Bengal, and the Eastern sea generally for the last 12 years. Apply to Mr. Braga Dispensary, 118, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, August 7, 1868.

PRIVATE BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.

MENT. At Messrs T. HART & Co., No. 3, Queen's Road, East, close to the Parade Ground. Charge very moderate.

FRICKEL & Co., SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, GENERAL STOREKEEPERS, COMMISSION AGENTS, Queen's Road, HONGKONG.

MR. W. SALWAY ARCHITECT, Hongkong Hotel.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS. MESSRS FLOYD & Co. beg most respectfully, to inform their subscribers, that the series of Views of Hongkong, etc., etc., published by them, will be ready for selection on Saturday next.

In consequence of the great demand for these magnificent views, orders will be executed in order as subscribed.

In sets of 50.....\$25.
" 25.....15.
" 10.....8.
" 5.....4.
" 2.....2.
" 1.....1.

Hongkong, July 23, 1868.

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAM-BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE.

THE Dividend at the rate of \$4.50 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of the Shareholders on the 11th instant, will be paid at the office of the General Agents on and after Thursday, the 16th instant.

By order of the Board of Directors,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. Agents.
Hongkong, July 14, 1868.

NOTICE. HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held in the Club Chambers at 3 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 25th day of August, (when a statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors will be laid before the Meeting) for the purpose of electing Directors in the place of those who retire in accordance with the provision of the Articles of Association, and the election of Auditors.

By Order of the Directors,
JOHN S. LAPRAIK, Secretary.
Hongkong, August 5, 1868.

PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS OF HONG KONG, &c., &c. MESSRS FLOYD & Co. are now publishing a series of Views of Hongkong, Macao, Canton, Amoy, Swatow and Poochow, in two parts. These Photographs are produced by the best Optical Instruments, by the best Operators of the day, and include an angle of 100 degrees, or three times the amount of subject of the ordinary lenses now in use in the East, hence the unnecessary joining to make a complete picture. We intend to reduce the price to about 60 per cent. (to Subscribers only) from our usual selling prices.

Gentlemen wishing to subscribe will please call at our Establishment, where the Photographs can be inspected and further particulars ascertained.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1868.

HOUSON & Co., PUBLIC AUCTIONEERS, SHIPPING AND GENERAL BROKERS, AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, ROBIN, HOBBS, JAPAN.

HALL & COLE, General & Commission Agents, NAGASAKI.

BROWN, JONES & Co., UNDERTAKERS, MONUMENTS and HEAD-STONES, ERECTED in the Best Style. LEAD and METALLIC COFFINS, on the Shortest Notice.

Apply at Hollywood Road, Corner of Aberdeen St.

New Advertisements.

EASTLACK & WINN, Surgeon Dentists, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

MR. GLASSE begs to inform his Patrons and the Public that he has just ERECTED a new American SODA WATER FOUNTAIN in anticipation of the hot Season just at hand. TONIC DRINKS and beverages ICE COLD and flavoured with all the various Fruit Syrups of the purest kind can at any moment be had at THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, April 16, 1868.

GEORGE GLASSE, (FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO) KINGSFORD & Co., PICCADILLY LONDON, AND 28, PLACE VENDOME, PARIS) ENGLISH AND FOREIGN CHEMIST.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG. SHIP'S MEDICINE CHESTS SUPPLIED & REFITTED.

JOHN THOMPSON & Co., DISPENSING & ANALYTICAL CHEMISTS, SODA WATER MANUFACTURERS.

Ship's Medicine Chests supplied and refitted. "TEETH EXTRACTED." INTERNATIONAL DISPENSARY, 23, Wellington Street, Hongkong.

NOTICE. THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents at Hongkong, Canton and Macao for the UNION OF HAMBURG UNDERWRITERS, and beg to draw attention to \$60-98 and \$127-141 of the "Allgemeine See Versicherung Bedingung von 1867," according to which all documents to substantiate claims against the Union of Hamburg Underwriters must be certified by the Agents, or they will not be recognized.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, June 16, 1868.

C. L. VOLKMAN, Private Boarding Establishment, 29, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, HONGKONG.

PATERSON & HANDLEY, House and Ship Plumbers, Copper and Zinc Workers, and Gas Fitters, 16, Queen's Road West, and Acheong's Yard, Praya West.

LATEST SHIPPING. CLEARED. Wm. Fring, for Melbourne. Hawlock, for Foochow. Morning Star, for Chefoo. Contest, for Chefoo.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The Siam, barque, Gohia, from Bangkok, reports fine weather the first part of passage, and light southerly winds; in 10.30 N., long. 113.40 E., while having light variable winds from S.E. to N.E., the barometer commenced to fall; on 4th August, had weather with very heavy N.E. gale, which veered round to W., S.W., S.S.W., and S., with a very heavy cross sea. Was obliged to throw part of the cargo overboard to save the ship; lost several sails, and the ship was laid on her beam ends; was obliged to cut away the foremast; on 6th August, the weather moderated, had southerly wind; put into the Hainan Coast for repairs; on 8th August, left Hainan and proceeded to Hongkong.

Velocidade, Brit. barque, left Newcastle, N.E. W., on the 13th of June, with a fair wind, which continued till the 16th, and was succeeded by a strong E. gale; but although blowing hard with a high cross sea, the Velocidade escaped without damage. The gale having subsided variable weather was experienced for a few days, after which the S.E. trades set in, and a cruise was shaped to pass Westward of New Caledonia and between the Solomon and Santa Cruz Islands. The S.E. trades were very light and unsteady throughout, hanging far Easterly. On the 26th June Steamer's natives came off in canoes bringing Pig, Turtle, Ducks, &c., all of which they readily parted with in exchange for Tobacco. Nearly the whole of the natives could speak the English language, some of them quite fluently, owing doubtless to their intercourse with crews of whaling vessels, which often touch at the Islands.

From French, Swatow, barque, 715 tons, Bangkok to United Kingdom at \$3.5 per ton, if to the Continent, \$3.75 per ton. French, N. G. schooner, 207 tons, Poochow to Sydney at \$3.5 per ton, if to Melbourne, \$3.10 per ton. Ducat, Brit. str., 1169 tons, leaves Bombay, \$19,000 in full. Minerva, Amer. ship, 996 tons, Bangkok and back at 45 cents per picul (outside). Condon, N. G. barque, 374 tons, Saigon and back at 42 cents per picul.

Marion, Brit. barque, 460 tons, Saigon and back at 47 cents per picul (inside). John and Mary, Brit. barque, 180 tons, hence to Yokohama at 40 cents per picul. Martha, N. G. barque, 221 tons, hence to Newchwang and back at 60 cents per picul.

Friedrich, N. G. brig, 231 tons, Whampoa to Tientsin and back, \$4,900 in full. If via Newchwang, \$5,180 in full. Kwik, Norw. brig, 131 tons, Hongkong to Tientsin and back via Newchwang, \$4,700 in full.

Estimated Number and Tonnage of Disengaged Vessels in Hongkong.—British, 3,387; Foreign (exclusive of Shanghai), 7, tons 4047.—Total 14, tons 3,484.

GEO. HOLMES, Ship Broker.
2, Peddar's Hill,
Hongkong, 19th August, 1868.

MEMO. OF CHARTERS AND SETTLEMENTS. Since 6th August, 1868.

Chalgrove, Brit. barque, 504 tons, Foochow to London at \$3.75 per ton. Agatha Johnson, N. G. barque, 692 tons, Whampoa to Hongkong at \$2.10 per ton. Champion, Brit. barque, 506 tons, Manila to London or Liverpool, Dry Sugar at \$4 per ton; Hemp at \$4.10 per ton, if to the Continent, \$4.15 per ton.

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Shipping Reports.

by Mr. Brand (Pilot) in whose charge she proceeded to Woosung, anchoring at midnight. The only vessels loading at New-castle for Shanghai were the Pak-son and the ship John Nicholson sailed for Shanghai the day previous to the Velocidade.

Charlotte Andrea, Br. str., June 20th left Sydney; experienced moderate W. wind and fine weather as far as 23.23 S. 163.63 E. July 1st sighted Matthew's Island. 4th, passed Mure Island from thence

glas could very easily
Under the Gaoi rules

to hear that complaints are made of com-
modities inconvenience resulting to mer-
cantile men from the peculiar terms on
which it becomes the custom to make
contracts for the sale of goods for ar-
rival. It is not to be supposed that we
avoid the possibility of disputes regard-
ing such packages as may arrive damaged,
since become usual to insert a clause to
the effect that the buyer may either take
them with such allowance as is made on ac-
count of the damage or may reject them al-
together. The result of this is that the risk
of damage to the goods, if the goods are not
to be taken from the warehouse with the
provision for damage; if on the other hand, the
market falls, every trifling loss on the bale
carefully looked out as a ground for re-
jection to accept it. It is evident thus that
the clause in the contracts respecting dam-
aged packages which is one of consider-
able importance as the majority of mer-
chandise being sold is goods free of particular
insurance is altogether needless, and results
in a waste of time and expense to the buyer,
while no benefit is derived to the seller.
The system we believe had its origin in the
early days of cotton speculation in Shang-
hai, when in order to protect themselves
against the fraudulent dealings of Chinese
merchants, the Europeans were com-
pelled to insist upon such terms.
It is, with that unlucky tendency to ob-
scure which so much pervades their mode
of transacting business, found out a very
inconvenient way of evading the carrying out
of a losing contract. The ordinary plan
proceeding thus was as follows: A native
merchant would buy goods from a foreign
merchant to him so and so many tons, to be de-
livered on at such and such a day. If the mar-
ket went in his favour, punctually he ap-
peared at the appointed time with fair average
cargo for delivery. If the market, how-
ever, went against him, he appeared equal-
ly punctually, to the day, but the cargo he offered was
of inferior quality, and he refused to that for
which he contracted.
The merchant, he was quite ready to meet him, but
he proposed that the inferior cotton should
be returned and the contract cancelled by
which means he of course got out free of
loss, if not actually with a profit, while
the merchant, who had stood the risk of
speculating if the market went against him, got
nothing by events turnin; out in a con-
trary manner. The only way to avoid
this was to insert upon was to insert in
the contracts a clause to the effect that
in case the market should turn against
to make a reduction in payment should
the cargo offered in fulfilment of the bar-
gain be of inferior quality to that agreed
upon. Subsequently in the earlier days of
speculations it was found advantage-
ous to apply a similar principle to
merchandise of various kinds of goods.
This resulted from the frequent cases in
which parcels arrived so much damaged by
fire that the buyer reasonably objected
to receive them at any price; and had so
no right to ask for a clause to be inserted in
the contracts such as would relieve him
of all liability, in this respect. In its
early origin, however, the principle of its
application which now found to be a
policy, was not by any means unreason-
able; and was in fact fully
warranted. Of late how-
ever, it has been unreason-
ably increased. Broken rice, for
example, is sold at a price which
includes a margin for the loss both for
speculation and for consumption, and
not only in "hard cargo" but also for
soft cargo to be mixed, says, either in
consequence of a celebrated decision of
the Hon. Mr. Justice, or because the manu-
facturers have at last awoken to a sense of
the propriety of their interests
by turning out improper quality of rice,
and suddenly inflated goods, diminished as much
as the trade itself has increased. Hence
there does not appear to be any longer just
cause for the insertion into contracts for
arrival of a clause which is in its effects
to one-sided as the one under notice;
and some influential importers are we
understand, are endeavouring the destruc-
tion of instituting a reform in this
respect. The matter will probably before
long be brought for discussion before
the Chamber of Commerce. We shall look
with considerable interest upon the results
of the deliberations of these gentlemen;
and it is to be presumed will mainly turn
upon the question whether the usual
policy, and secondly whether the terms
of sale for arrival can be conveniently altered.

It would be possible to make such sales
the absolute parting with the interest to-
gether with its attendant risks, or in other
words what is known among commercial
men as the sale of the "Invoice." But
this plan it is clear would be accompanied
with much inconvenience and might tend
at least so far as Chinese are concerned,
to diminish the number
of purchasers. This would be a loss
to the advantage of trade; and it is
therefore likely that this mode of adjusting
the matter will not be adopted. The ques-
tion would then be whether any modifica-
tion in the present terms could be intro-
duced short of altering the nature of sales;
and the answer to any suggestion in this
respect would be to be made in the contract
itself; concluded, the buyer should elect to take
one of the two courses either of which he
can now choose to adopt, when on arrival
the portion of the goods proves to be damaged.
In this course, judging of the question up-
on general grounds would appear to be the
safest, and could be hit upon; as the
buyer would be enabled to make when buyer
and seller were equally unwarmed by the
advantage would ultimately be to the
buyer, whereas if the buyer be allowed to abstain
from deciding until the goods actually
arrive, he is put in a far better position
than when the seller receiving a risk which ought
in fairness to be equally divided.

It is not likely that the Chamber of Com-
merce could authoritatively do anything to
alter the present mode of business, as the
regulation is not wholly of their own crea-
tion, and what is a fact usage, but to the
decision of the most advisable mode of
making contracts; and it is obvious that
the Chamber of Commerce has no power
whatever to prevent people from making
contracts as they see fit. The ventila-
tion of the subject by that body could
not be of much use, but of advantage in as-
certaining the mercantile usage, and in com-
ing to a just conclusion as to the merits of the
question, and this once arrived at, the nat-
ural tendency of trade would soon cause
the most useful and most reasonable mode
to be generally adopted; as it fortunately
happens that a large number are alternately
buyers and sellers, so that there is com-
paratively little, if at all, any antagonism
of class interest. —*Recorder.*

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† At Canton.

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Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Comm.	Tons.	Captain.
Cockchafer	British	gun-boat	—	230 Kerr,	
Flamer	British	naval hospital	—	Attached to Melville	
Melville	British	naval hospital	—	R. Bernard, D.M.I.R. &c.	
Pearl	British	sc. corvette	21	1469 John Fras Ross, Captain.	
Princess Charlotte	British	receiving ship	14	Commodore Oliver Jones	
Unadilla	U. States	gun-boat	6	180 Hatfield, Lt. Commander	

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Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Comm.	Tons.	Captain.
Ching-tsing*	Chinese	gun-boat	4	Bessard	
Chun-hoi*	Chinese	gun-boat	—	Mary	
Fei-long*	Chinese	gun-boat	5	Edwards	
Spy	Chinese	Customs	—	Lorchs	
Tai-tung	Chinese	gun-boat	5	180 Stewart	
Suen-po	Chinese	gun-boat	6	Longueville	

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Vessel.	Flag.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners or Agents.
Dragon	British	117	Stephenson	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Faure, (110 h. power)	Do.	380	Oxy	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Fire Dart	Do.	456	Bennett	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Kia Kiang	Do.	617	—	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Linton	Do.	69	—	Acheong
Little Orphan	Do.	48	—	Union Dock Company's Tug
Poyang	Do.	379	Thebaud	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Prince Albert	Do.	—	—	Q. Acheong
Star	Do.	140	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co.
Speed	Do.	—	Graves	Thomas Hunt & Co.
White Cloud	British	280	Carroll	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug

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Shipping in Harbour.

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STEAMERS.				1868.			
Clan Alpine	E. Hutchison	Brit. str.	949	June 13	6 Jardine, Matheson & Co	Calcutta, &c.	
Dacca	W. Hutchison	Brit. str.	1128	June 13	14 D. Sasseon Sons & Co		
Ellora	W. Murray	Brit. str.	1579	August 19	P. & O. S. N. Co	Bombay, &c.	21st, 9 a.m.
Enner	W. Barclay	Brit. str.	1638	August 11	P. & O. S. N. Co	Shanghai	
Fort King	W. Puel	Brit. str.	1044	August 18	A. Heard & Co		
Formosa	W. Hookin	Brit. str.	700	July 5	P. & O. S. N. Co	Saigon, Suez, &c.	Repairing
Imperial	W. Macaire	Feh. str.	2500	August 13	Messageries Impériales		
Kan Ka Kee	K. Yeaton	Amer. str.	313	June 5	A. Heard & Co		
Ottawa	W. Byre	Brit. str.	1274	August 7	P. & O. S. N. Co	Shanghai	
Padua	W. Pozo	Span. str.	1200	August 15	Spanish Consul	Mandir	
Shun Chit	W. W.	Brit. str.	1869	July 19	Chinese		
Sunda	W. Scamies	Brit. str.	1032	August 17	P. & O. S. N. Co		
T. A. Gibb	W. Mathewson	Brit. str.	386	August 16	Gibb, Livingstone & Co	Swatow, &c.	
Undine	W. Toppin	Brit. str.	—	August 18	Douglas Lapraik & Co		

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Anita	E. Turenau	Brit. sh.	654	August 9	A. Heard & Co		
Anita	E. Petrie	Brit. sh.	304	August 3	John Burd & Co	Saigon	
Bella	K. Turner	Brit. sh.	448	August 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Brilliant	W. Schroder	Siam. bk.	339	August 11	Chinese		
Bunker Hill	E. Davis	Amer. sh.	999	July 22	Order		
Camilla	E. Humphrey	Amer. sh.	853	July 25	Messageries Impériales	Melbourne and Sydney	
Cap-sing-woon	E. W. Watson	Brit. sh.	468	June 30	Olyphant & Co		
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Caroline	K. Bugeu	N. Ger. bk.	393	August 11	Bourjau, Hubner & Co	Falmouth	put back
Chalgrave	K. Owens	Brit. bk.	604	August 2	Birley & Co		
Champion	E. Haquail	Brit. bk.	486	August 8	R. S. Walker & Co		
Chetah	W. Reid	Brit. sh.	758	August 14	John Burd & Co		
City of Quebec	K. Favacho	Port. bk.	362	May 5	Rozario & Co		
Concor	K. Peebles	Brit. sh.	663	August 11	Order		
Concor	K. Hansen	N. Ger. bk.	374	August 10	Bourjau, Hubner & Co		
Contest	W. Reynolds	Siam. sh.	386	July 25	Chinese		
Conqueror	W. Mitchell	Siam. sh.	70	July 2	Chinese		
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Edward Marguard	W. Moller	Siam. bk.	301	August 10	Chinese		
Eugenie	W. Lenox	Aust. bk.	616	July 27	Order		
Francis Banfield	W. Pender	Brit. bk.	355	August 13	R. S. Walker & Co		
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Friedrich	K. Tutein	N. Ger. sh.	207	August 7	Bourjau, Hubner & Co		
Gams Cook	E. Sherburn	Amer. sh.	1119	August 14	Olyphant & Co		
Golia	W. Silva	Siam. bk.	642	August 18	Chinese		
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Havlock	W. Madden	Brit. bk.	454	August 2	John Burd & Co	Foochow	
Indian Warrior	W. Young	Siam. bk.	564	August 19	Chinese		
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Kvik	K. Lorange	Nor. bk.	131	August 13	Siemssen & Co		
Lorelei	K. Ingemann	N. Ger. bk.	303	August 11	Bourjau, Hubner & Co		
Luzon	E. Demelow	Brit. bk.	400	August 12	Order		
Maria Morton	W. Fischer	Feh. bk.	401	July 12	Raynham, Brothers & Co		
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Martha	K. Baje	N. Ger. bk.	221	Aug. 5	Melchers & Co		
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Mary Goodell	E. Sweetser	Amer. sh.	760	July 24	A. Heard & Co		
Metilda	K. Ramsey	Brit. bk.	252	August 16	Grub & Co		
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N. B. Palmer	E. Low	Amer. sh.	1124	August 14	Smith, Archer & Co		
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